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Substitute Senate Bill No. 1161

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The Committee on Transportation reported through SEN. DEFRONZO of the 6th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

***AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE POSITION OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
OF THE BRADLEY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 15-101nn of the general statutes is repealed and
2 the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 (a) The Bradley Board of Directors shall have the duty and authority
4 to: (1) In consultation with the Commissioner of Transportation,
5 develop an organizational and management structure that will best
6 accomplish the goals of Bradley International Airport; (2) approve the
7 annual capital and operating budget of Bradley International Airport;
8 (3) act in cooperation with the Connecticut Transportation Strategy
9 Board, created pursuant to section 13b-57e; (4) advocate for Bradley
10 International Airport's interests and ensure that Bradley International
11 Airport's potential as an economic development resource for the state
12 and region are fully realized; (5) ensure that an appropriate mission
13 statement and set of strategic goals for Bradley International Airport
14 are established and that progress toward accomplishing the mission

15 and strategic goals is regularly assessed; (6) approve Bradley
16 International Airport's master plan; (7) establish and review policies
17 and plans for marketing the airport and for determining the best use of
18 airport property; (8) ensure appropriate independent expertise is
19 available to advise the Bradley Board of Directors, particularly in the
20 areas of strategy and marketing and select consultants as necessary, for
21 purposes related to strategy and marketing, pursuant to procedures
22 established by the board; (9) ensure customer service standards,
23 performance targets and performance assessment systems are
24 established for the airport enterprise; (10) approve community
25 relations policies and ensure that the community advisory board,
26 created pursuant to section 15-101pp, operates effectively to ensure
27 that community comment and information is regularly and fully
28 considered in decisions related to Bradley International Airport; (11)
29 create a code of conduct for the Bradley Board of Directors consistent
30 with part I of chapter 10; (12) report to the Governor and the General
31 Assembly on an annual basis; (13) establish procedures to review
32 significant contracts, other than collective bargaining agreements,
33 relating to the operation of Bradley International Airport prior to
34 approval, which procedures shall require completion of each such
35 review no later than ten business days after the board receives the
36 contract; and (14) adopt rules for the conduct of its business which
37 shall not be considered regulations, as defined in subdivision (13) of
38 section 4-166.

39 (b) The Bradley Board of Directors shall appoint an Executive
40 Director of Bradley International Airport who shall not be a member of
41 the board and who shall serve at the pleasure of the board. The
42 position is to be funded without requiring any additional state
43 appropriations. Other terms and conditions of employment,
44 compensation, duties and qualifications of the executive director shall
45 be in accordance with policies approved by both the board and the
46 Commissioner of Transportation. The responsibilities of the executive
47 director shall include those of the chief executive officer of the airport
48 and the chief administrative officer and shall direct and supervise
49 administrative and technical activities in accordance with the

50 directives of the board. The executive director shall be exempt from the
 51 classified service and shall report directly to the board. The executive
 52 director shall attend all meetings of the board, keep a record of
 53 proceedings of the board and shall maintain and be custodian of all
 54 books, documents and papers filed with the board and airport and of
 55 the minute book or journal of the board and of its official seal. The
 56 executive director may cause copies to be made of all minutes and
 57 other records and documents of the board and airport and may give
 58 certificates under the official seal of the board to the effect that such
 59 copies are true copies, and all persons dealing with the board may rely
 60 upon such certificates.

61 (c) Terms and conditions of employment, compensation, duties and
 62 qualifications of such individual shall be in accordance with policies
 63 approved by the board and the Commissioner of Transportation. The
 64 Board of Directors shall annually submit to the Commissioners of
 65 Transportation and Administrative Services a report regarding the
 66 position created and filled, or vacant and waiting to be filled, pursuant
 67 to the authority of this subsection and subsection (b) of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	15-101nn

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

In subsection (c), "and the Commissioner of Transportation" was inserted for consistency.

TRA *Joint Favorable Subst.-LCO*

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note**State Impact:**

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 08 \$	FY 09 \$
Department of Transportation	EF - Cost	See Below	See Below

Note: EF=Enterprise Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill directs board of directors of the Bradley International Airport to appoint an executive director to carry out the functions of chief administrator of the airport. The Bradley International Airport authorized position count is 123. The position of executive director currently does not exist and would either add to the total authorized number of positions or require that one existing position be eliminated.

If the position were added to the total authorized number of positions the bill would result in a fiscal impact to the Bradley Enterprise Fund of an estimated \$200,000 to \$400,000 for salary and benefits. The fiscal impact would be a function of the employment terms established by the board of directors.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to inflation.

OLR Bill Analysis**sSB 1161*****AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE POSITION OF EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR OF THE BRADLEY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.*****SUMMARY:**

This bill requires the Bradley International Airport Board of Directors to appoint an executive director for the airport to serve at the board's pleasure. The executive director's responsibilities must include serving as both the airport's chief executive officer and chief administrative officer. The executive director (1) may not be a member of the board of directors, (2) must be exempt from the classified service, and (3) must report directly to the board of directors. The bill requires the position to be filled without any additional state funds.

Terms and conditions of employment, compensation, duties, and qualifications of the executive director must be in accordance with policies approved by both the Bradley board and the transportation commissioner. The board of directors must submit an annual report to the transportation and administrative commissioners regarding the position created and filled, or vacant and waiting to be filled.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

**OTHER DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR**

Besides being both the chief executive and chief administrative officer for the airport, the executive director must also direct and supervise administrative and technical activities in accordance with the directives of the Bradley board. He must: (1) attend all board meetings; (2) keep a record of its proceedings; and (3) maintain and be custodian of all books, documents, and papers filed with the board and airport, as well as the board's minute book or journal and its seal. The

executive director may cause copies to be made of minutes, other records, and documents of the board and airport, and may certify them as true copies under the board's seal.

BACKGROUND

Bradley International Airport Board of Directors

Bradley International Airport is owned and operated by the state. The Bradley Board of Directors consists of the transportation and economic and community development commissioners, serving ex officio; a representative from the members of the Connecticut Transportation Strategy Board appointed by the House speaker; a representative of the members of the Bradley International Airport Community Advisory Board appointed by the House minority leader; and three public members, one appointed by the governor who serves as chairman, one by the Senate president pro tempore, and one by the Senate minority leader.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Transportation Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 27 Nay 3 (03/16/2007)